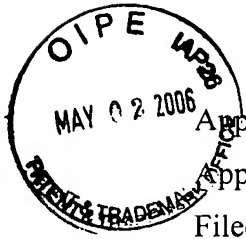


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Appl. No. : 10/810,415  
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A SEED LAYER (as amended)  
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

The present paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed on November 30, 2005, and is accompanied by a request for a two-month extension of time. Please amend the above-identified application as set forth herein and consider the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 8 of this paper. A replacement sheet for each sheet of drawings being submitted is enclosed with this Amendment.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.

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